JUSTICE IN THE JUNGLE

1. Look at the photos and read the caption. You are going to hear an interview with Juliana Machado Ferreira. What do you think she doesto fight wildlife trafficking?



National Geographic Explorer Juliana Machado Ferreira at work in the forests of Brazil and in her lab (inset). Ferreira is a conservation biologist fighting illegal wildlife trafficking—the buying and selling of protected wild animals.

2. Read and listen to the sentences with words from the interview. Guess the meaning of the words in bold. then complete each question or sentence belowwith the correct word. Use the correct form of the word.

a. Protecting wildlife is **crucial.** If we do not, some animals will disappear forever.

b. The effect of trafficking on some tropical birds has been **devastating.** There are only a few of these birds left today.

c. Some species of birds look very similar, so it is difficult to **detect** differences between them.

d. This new technology has the **potential** to find traffickers; however, it has not been fully tested yet.

e. The police **seized** a truck that was carrying hundreds of wild birds. They arrested the driver and took the birds away.

f. Buying and selling most wild animals is **illegal.** If the police catch you, you may go to jail.

g. Scientists and government officials are working together to **maintain** biodiversity—the number and variety of species that live in the country.

h. Governments should work together to **combat** climate change before it's too late.

i. Many species of animals, such as orangutans, are disappearing because humans have destroyed their **habitat.** Now they have nowhere to live.

j. Wildlife trafficking continues because **consumers** want these animals for pets.

1. In most countries, buying and selling drugs is a(n) _____ activity. What are some others?
2. People love their pets so much that they often spend a lot of money on them. What pet products are the most popular with _____ in your country?
3. Too much rain or too little rain can both be _____ for a country. What are the consequences of each, and which do you think is worse?
4. Governments can do a lot to protect wild animals and to _____ trafficking, but experts say that ordinary people also play a _____ role. What do you think ordinary people can do to help?
5. The police are using new techniques to _____ traffickers. They can monitor traffickers, movement even when they are deep in the jungle.
6. The government announced that it will _____ any wild animals that they find in markets and return the animals to their original _____.
7. The goal of the new law is to _____ the current bird population. It may even have the _____ to help the population to return to the level of 10 years ago.

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